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PSYCHOSOCIAL PREDICTORS OF EMOTIONAL LABOUR AMONG EMPLOYEES OF MERGED AND ACQUIRED

BANKS IN IBADAN, SOUTHWEST, NIGERIA

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The study examined psychosocial factors influencing emotional labour among bank workers during post and acquisition mergers (M&A). The cross-sectional research design was adopted, which involved selected employees of banks in Southwestern, Nigeria. The study purposively selected two hundred employees of banks acquired or merged during the consolidation and post-consolidation eras. The mean age of respondents was 7.31±132 years. A questionnaire that measured job satisfaction, acculturation, attitude to M&A and emotional labour was used to collect data. The results showed that attitude towards M&A ( $\beta$  = 0.39; p<.05) and acculturation ( $\beta$  = 0.36; p<.05) were significant independent predictors of emotional labour. Furthermore, attitude towards M&A ( $\beta$  = 0.32; P<.05) and acculturation ( $\beta$  = 0.28; p<.05) were significant independent predictors of emotional labour per se; ( $\beta = 0.26$ ; p<.05); ( $\beta = 0.38$ ; p<.05) for personal efficacy and ( $\beta$  = 0.38; p<.05); ( $\beta$  = 0.24; p<.05) for false face.

The attitude towards M&A, job satisfaction and acculturation were significant predictors of emotional labour. It was concluded that job satisfaction, acculturation and attitude towards M&A were significant joint predictors of emotional labour. However, emotional labour was not a function of the level of job satisfaction. A positive relationship was established between the level of acculturation and the level of emotional labour. Likewise, female bank employees have a greater tendency to have high emotional labour than male bank employees. Based on the outcomes, it was recommended that bank managers should pay adequate attention to acculturation and the attitude of employees during the major organisational change to enhance emotional labour performance

Keywords: Emotional Labour; Employees; Acquisition, Merger; Banks

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